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In the Patent Application of:

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Title: MULTILAYER FLUORESCENT OPTICAL DISC WITH
PHOTOSENSITIVE FLUORESCENT MATERIAL

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Date: March 23, 2004 Technology Center 2600

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 24, 2003, the Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-14, drawn to a multilayer optical disc, classified in class 369, subclass 94. A petition for a five month extension of time and the fee therefor are submitted concurrently with this Response.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more timely divisional application(s) directed to the subject matter of non-elected claims.

This application should now be in order for consideration on the merits of the claims in the elected group as Applicants have fully and completely responded to the Office Action by making the required election of one or more of the original groups of claims.

In the event there are any questions relating to this Response or the application in general, it would be appreciated if the Examiner would telephone the undersigned agent concerning such questions so that prosecution of this application may be expedited.

Please charge any shortage or credit any overpayment of fees to BLANK ROME LLP, Deposit Account No. 23-2185 (109289-00144). In the event that a petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and in the event that a separate petition does not accompany this Response or is insufficient to render this Response timely, the Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee due is authorized above.

Respectfully submitted,

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